

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 1 (currently amended): An automotive in-tank fuel hose for installation in a fuel tank, the hose comprising a single layer structure formed by at least one of (A) a thermoplastic polybutylene terephthalate elastomer containing a dimer acid moiety and (B) a thermoplastic polybutylene naphthalate elastomer containing a dimer acid moiety, wherein the dimer acid moiety is present in a proportion of 3 to 30 mol% in the thermoplastic elastomer containing the dimer acid moiety, the automotive in-tank fuel hose capable of following a deformation of the fuel tank and absorbing vibration caused by a fuel pump.

Claim 2 (canceled):

Claim 3 (new): An automotive in-tank fuel hose as set forth in claim 1, wherein the hose has a bellows structure so as to compensate for deformation of the fuel tank and to absorb vibration due to the fuel pump.

Claim 4 (new): An automotive in-tank fuel hose as set forth in claim 1, wherein the hose has a thickness of 0.5 mm to 1.5 mm.

Claim 5 (new): An automotive in-tank fuel hose as set forth in claim 1, wherein the hose is formed by both of (A) a thermoplastic polybutylene terephthalate elastomer

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